Mega power projects in BIHAR

401. SHRI RAJNITI PRASAD: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of mega power projects to augment availability of power in Bihar;

(b) the locations selected in Bihar for installation of these projects along with their completion schedule; and

(c) whether Government would consider giving priority to those States that are facing acute power scarcity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI) : (a) and (b) Details of thermal mega power projects under construction in Bihar are as given in the table below:

Sl. No.	Name of Project	Location (District)	Implementing Agency	Capacity (MW)	Commissioning Schedule
1.	Barh STPP St.I	Patna	NTPC	3x660 = 1980	2012- 14
2	Barh STPP St.II	Patna	NTPC	2 x 660 =1320	2012- 14
3	Nabi Nagar TPP	Aurangabad	NTPC JV with Railways	4x250 = 1000	2012- 13
				4300	

There are no hydro projects under construction in Bihar.

(c) Central Sector mega power projects are planned in different States depending upon availability of suitable sites and other inputs including infrastructural facilities required for setting up of such projects.

Private companies in distribution and transmission

402. SHRI T.K. RANGARAJAN: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the distribution and transmission of electricity has been entrusted with private companies in various States;

(b) if so, the details of the States where private companies were given contract for the purpose, along with the details of the companies, State-wise;

(c) whether Government has any mechanism to evaluate/monitor the working of these companies; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?